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Mr. Michael Nalipinski
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U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
One Congress Street
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Re: General Electric – Pittsfield/Housatonic River Site Hill 78 On-Plant Consolidation Area (GECD210) Geophysical Testing Results

Dear Mr. Nalipinski:

Pursuant to your discussions with Mr. John Novotny of the General Electric Company (GE) on Wednesday, December 19, 2001, please find enclosed a draft figure showing the results of the recent geophysical survey performed along the Hill 78 On-Plant Consolidation Area (OPCA) perimeter. As you discussed with John, this figure will be reviewed and discussed with U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection at a mid-January technical meeting. Further, it is understood that EPA may have the results of a geophysical survey recently performed south of the Hill 78 OPCA and the two surveys can be reviewed concurrently at the meeting. Once we have collectively reviewed the surveys, future activities related to completing the geophysical survey activities at the Hill 78 OPCA can be discussed. As agreed to by EPA, GE will not be submitting a report of the results of the survey to you by December 28, 2001, as originally anticipated. Rather, a new report submittal date based on the outcome of our discussions at the mid-January meeting will be scheduled.

In regards to the enclosed figure, five anomalies have been noted that require discussion. Other features detected during the survey include known site features (e.g., manholes, monitoring wells, decommissioned pipelines, and other metallic [or metal-containing] surficial features) and consequently we believe that they do not require further discussion.

We look forward to discussing the results of the survey with you at the technical meeting in mid-January. In the interim, please feel free to call John or me with any questions or comments.

Sincerely,

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